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PUSH CITY CONSTRUCTION IN CENTRAL ASIAN REPUBLICSPLAN RECONSTRUCTION OF KAZAKH CAPITAL -- Alma-Ata, Kazakhstanskaya Pravda,  
8 Aug 50

A booklet entitled Alma-Ata, by D. D. Baragin and I. I. Belotserkovskiy, has been published in the series Architecture of Cities of the USSR. The booklet contains a brief summary of the city's historic past, plus a description of its architecture and of individual buildings. A short chapter is devoted to the general reconstruction plan of the capital of Kazakhstan. According to this plan, approved by city organizations of Alma-Ata and the government of the Kazakh SSR, the main thoroughfares of the city will be as follows: prospekt Stalina, ulitsa Furmanova, Komsomol'skaya ulitsa, and Staraya tashkentskaya doroga. Ulitsa Uzbekskaya will be extended northward, crossing the railroad over a viaduct, and will connect with the railroad station Alma-Ata I.

The city center and main square are to be located on ulitsa Komsomol'skaya, between prospekt Stalina and ulitsa Panfilova. Here a new monumental building of the Kazakh SSR government is to be built.

The booklet is illustrated with photographs and is published by the State Publishing House for Architecture and City Construction. The price of the booklet is 3 rubles.

HOUSING CONSTRUCTION IN ALMA-ATA PROGRESSING -- Moscow, Krasnaya Zvezda, 13 Aug 50

Construction work is going on in all the streets of Alma-Ata. A 24-apartment house of the cloth factory at the corner of Komsomol'skaya and ulitsa Furmanova is almost completed. Another 24-apartment house of the heavy machine-building plant is under construction on ulitsa Chaykovskogo. A group of apartment buildings of the Academy of Sciences Kazakh SSR have been built on prospekt imeni Lenina. Scientific workers have already moved into one of the buildings. Construction of an apartment house for workers of the meat combine has been finished. During 1950, about 30,000 square meters of housing were built in Alma-Ata.

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BUILD NEW TEXTILE COMBINE AND SETTLEMENT -- Moscow, Izvestiya, 6 Oct 50

A new cotton combine is being built in Chimkent, in southern Kazakhstan. This is to be one of the largest enterprises of light industry in the Republic. Its main building is to occupy an area of more than 3 hectares. Construction of the first section of the combine is almost completed.

At the same time a settlement of textile workers is being built. Thirty stone houses for workers and specialists of the combine are now under construction.

RESTORE, DEVLEOP ASHKHABAD -- Leningradskaya Pravda, 15 Sep 50

The Ministry of City Construction has approved the general plan for the restoration and development of Ashkhabad. The plan was worked out by architects and engineers of the Leningrad Division of the Institute of City Planning. Work has already begun in Ashkhabad and the city area is now a single huge construction site. Houses are being built and restored on every street.

The new city of Ashkhabad will be better looking and better planned than the old one. A large square, Respublikanskaya ploshchad', is to be built in the center of the city. Buildings of the Council of Ministers, the Supreme Soviet Turkmen SSR, and a number of other republic offices, will be located on this square. A wide parkway is to connect Respublikanskaya ploshchad' with Ploshchad' imeni Karla Marksa, on which square buildings for a number of city administrations and organizations will be constructed. The large buildings are being girded with special reinforced-concrete strips to protect them against earthquake tremors.

The Academy of Architecture USSR has worked out standard plans for dwellings of Turkmenia. The city is to consist mainly of two- and one-story houses, and each house is to have a garden.

KRASNOVODSK PORT AND INDUSTRIAL CENTER GAINS IMPORTANCE -- Tbilisi, Zarya Vostoka, 24 Sep 50

Krasnovodsk is an important industrial center of the Turkmen SSR and on one of the largest Soviet ports on the Caspian Sea. The city and port have grown rapidly during the Soviet period. An important factor in the development of Krasnovodsk is the fact that it is a reloading station at the junction of important transport lines, i.e., railroad and river transport. The port is now equipped with necessary storage facilities and the freight turnover is increasing from year to year. The city itself has changed considerably during the past few years. New asphalt streets with neat-looking two- and three- story houses have been built.

Krasnovodsk has always had a lack of trees and shrubs; despite the continued efforts of its residents, the city is still poor in vegetation. This is due to the difficulty of water supply. Up to the present, water has had to be supplied from Baku and Kizil-Arvat. Construction of the Main Turkmen Canal will solve the problem of supplying Krasnovodsk with fresh water.

TURKMEN PETROLEUM WORKERS' TOWN DEVELOPS -- Moscow, Trud, 10 Sep 50

Nebit-Dag is the newest petroleum workers' town in the Turkmen SSR. During the past few years a number of apartment houses, administrative and cultural buildings, and wide asphalt streets have been built. Construction work is continuing. During the first 6 months of 1950, 17,500 square meters of housing were completed. By the end of the year, the total area of new housing is to reach 30,000 square meters. In the spring, 120,000 decorative and fruit trees were planted in the streets of Nebit-Dag.

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UZBEK ELECTROCHEMICAL WORKERS GET FIVE NEW APARTMENT BUILDINGS -- Tashkent, Pravda  
Vostoka, 14 Sep 50

A new 14-apartment house for workers and technical engineers of the Chirchik Electrochemical Combine has just been completed. The building is provided with all modern equipment. In August, the electrochemical combine finished construction of five large apartment buildings.

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